THE FLORIDA SENATE 2013 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED

Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security

CS/CS/SB 160 — Licensure Fee Exemptions for Military Veterans

by Appropriations Committee; Health Policy Committee; and Senators Richter, Dean, and Benacquisto

The bill requires the Department of Health (DOH) to waive the licensing fees associated with obtaining an initial license for a profession within the jurisdiction of the DOH for honorably discharged military veterans. A veteran must apply to the DOH for licensure within 24 months of discharge from the U.S. Armed Forces to be eligible for the fee waiver.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect July 1, 2013.

Vote: Senate 36-0; House 115-0

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